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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE M. LOUIS SALMON LIBRARY, FALL 2018

Multimedia Lab Continues to Grow, to be joined by our Maker Space.

Last January, the Multimedia Lab launched and went on to have a great semester. We got to see a lot of students and faculty use the lab to create interesting presentations, short videos, podcasts, and more. This Fall (2018), we will continue to expand the offerings of the lab by increasing the number of cameras we have, adding a second presentation speaker system, and getting other new technology in (see box to lower left). We also started a workshop series, In Media Res (Latin for "in the middle of things") where we showed how to use some of our equipment and software to perform various tasks and functions. These workshops will return for a whole new collection of tips, tricks, and concepts (see lower middle).

What's more, the Medialab is getting a sister lab: The Salmon Library Maker Space. The Maker Space will start out offering access to 3D printers. If you have something you want to print, you will just bring your file, pay for the materials, set up a date and time there is a free slot, and away you go! If you need help or want to learn more about 3D printing, our Lab Technician or one of our students will be there to help you along.

3D printing is just the start. Soon we will be launching a Large Format Printing service through a combined effort of the Multimedia Lab and the Maker Space. This means you can use the former to create posters, large graphics, presentations and so forth

and then print them out in house at the latter.

After these services, more are sure to come. If you have something you would like to see added, let us know!

New Tech to Check Out!

Students can now check out Scanmarkers from the User Services Desk (which allow you to convert written text to speech, copy in notes from handwritten notes, and more). You can also find Bluetooth keyboards and mice and multi-port chargers to make your device usage at the library nicer.

Over on the Multimedia Lab side, we have new GoPro Hero 6s and new Panasonic 4k camcorders. Logitech webcams and studio-quality headphones are also available. Looking to do some graphic design but need to be slightly more mobile? There is the Macbook Pro with the full Adobe suite on it to help you. Other accessories include SD card readers and more cables and adapters.



In Media Res workshops return

Kicking off with the Technology Petting Zoo on August 21 (see event listing to the upper right), the Multimedia Lab In Media Res series of workshops will continue for a second semester. A look at the free online presentation tool Prezi will follow (Sept 7 @ 1pm) and then there will be a workshop on using Adobe Premiere to make video montages (Sept 10 @ 3pm). Other topics this semester will include getting more out of your Instagram account, the basics of video animation, creating beautiful resumes with InDesign, and using the open-source graphics program GIMP. All are open to students, faculty, staff, and alumni. If you have suggestions or requests for future workshops, please contact leslie.grant@uah.edu and let her know.

Technology Petting Zoo



You can find out more about library events on our homepage or at uah.edu/events (filter Department to "Library")!

Salmon Library Street Fair

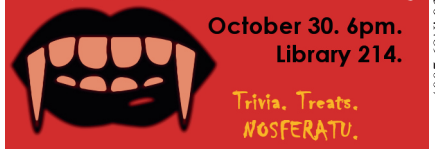


Scholar's Studio:
the cutting edge of
graduate student
research

October 24, 3pm.
Library Art Gallery.



Vampire Night @ the Library



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The Call Number Interviews Professor Christina Carmen of the UAH Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering Department

How do you use the UAH library? One of the most beneficial services the library provides are the experts who come to my classroom and help my students. In this age of information overload, it's so important to have expert guidance to know the origin of your sources and properly cite them.

Why do you think that the UAH library is important? I think there are so many important things as far as having a library. With today's overabundance of information, I would say the most important thing is the importance of understanding what's been properly vetted.

One thing that you would like to remind your students is... Have a goal - have a very specific goal in mind. Whatever the goal may be (a short term goal or a 5-year or 10-year goal), do something every day towards that goal. We may think we need to make some grand gesture to meet it, but just spend 15 minutes a day doing something towards your goal. And sometimes when you have more time or you're more inspired, 15 minutes turns into an hour. It's not the distance, it's the destination. You just need to keep moving in that direction

Find your new favorite book!

On the first floor, near the coffee shop, we have a selection of new, popular books to check out: including fiction and non-fiction bestsellers, graphic novels, series thrillers, and more.

Then, in the lobby, we have a special little bookcase filled with our Take-a-Book, Leave-a-Book selections. These are not books from our collection. You can take a book from them without checkout, and leave a book you are done reading behind. Two options to suit a variety of readers' tastes.

Library Lobby, 1st Floor

TAKE A BOOK,
LEAVE A BOOK



Lunch & Learn at the Library being hosted for faculty

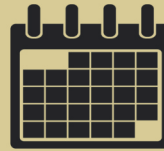
The Salmon Library will host a Lunch & Learn for faculty to show off new library initiatives and to talk about integrating information literacy into your instruction curriculum. Free food and lots of information about how we can help you. These will be August 21 & 24 @ noon in LIB214. For more information, contact michael.manasco@uah.edu or call 256.824.6965.

Gov docs now searchable in Pathfinder

Government documents are an invaluable tool when it comes to finding data and a historical record. Now our own Gov Docs should show up easier in Primo Pathfinder thanks to a recent upgrade and the hardwork of our tech services team.

Looking for a Meeting Place?

Are you a group or club on the UAH campus looking for a meeting place evenings, nights, and weekends to host your weekly sessions, give a talk, read poetry, or host a workshop? The library has several labs and locations that might fit your needs. If you have any questions, please contact us!



Open Web Resource Spotlight

There are many valuable resources freely available on the web, so many it can sometimes be hard to know where to start. In this piece, we will share with you a few of our favorites for you to try out.

- **American FactFinder:** a treasure trove of census and demographic data allowing you to cross reference data such as age, education levels, and financial situation. (factfinder.census.gov)

- **Chronicling America:** the Library of Congress provides a searchable database of American newspapers from 1789-1963 and includes information on newspapers published as far back as 1690. (chroniclingamerica.loc.gov)

- **Eastman Museum Collections Online:** More than a quarter-million objects from the George Eastman Museum's photography, technology, and legacy collections are searchable online. (eastman.org/collections-online)

- **Frontiers:** a community-based open-access journal publisher with over 60 journals in many disciplines (especially science) and with several of their journals having an impact factor of 3+ (frontiersin.org)

- **Science.gov:** a centralized site for you to search over 200 million pages of scientific data brought together from 60 databases and 2200 websites. (science.gov)

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